IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BRANDON M. APOSTOLEC, : CIVIL ACTION

Petitioner,

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v. : No. 16-919

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,

ET AL.,

Defendants.

ORDER

AND NOW, this 14th day of December, 2016, upon careful and independent consideration of the petition for writ of habeas corpus, and after review of the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Elizabeth T. Hey, and there being no objections to the Report and Recommendation, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- 1. The Report and Recommendation (doc. no. 14) is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**;
- 2. The petition for a writ of habeas corpus is **DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** as untimely;
- 3. There is no basis for the issuance of a certificate of appealability; and
- 4. The Clerk of Court is directed to mark this case **CLOSED**.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Mitchell S. Goldberg

MITCHELL S. GOLDBERG, J.